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# REINFORCED CONCRETE BRIDGE OVER POWLETT RIVER

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## Location

OUTTRIM-MOYARRA ROAD, OUTTRIM, SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Municipality

SOUTH GIPPSLAND SHIRE

## Level of significance

Demolished/Removed

## Heritage Listing

South Gippsland Shire

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## Statement of Significance

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### What is significant?

The reinforced concrete bridge over the Powlett River at Outtrim is significant. This is a single-span bridge with concrete abutments on a now-bypassed section of road. It was designed by the Reinforced Concrete & Monier Pipe Construction Co. and constructed in 1914.

### How is it significant?

The reinforced concrete bridge over the Powlett River at Outtrim is of local historic and representative significance to South Gippsland Shire.

### Why is it significant?

It is significant as an early reinforced concrete bridge and one of two surviving examples in the Shire designed and constructed by the Reinforced Concrete & Monier Pipe Construction Co., which was a pioneer in reinforced concrete construction in Victoria. It demonstrates the early use of concrete as a more permanent alternative to timber in the construction of bridges in rural areas, which was encouraged by the establishment of the Country Roads Board in 1914. (Criteria A & D)

Heritage Study/Consultant	South Gippsland - South Gippsland Heritage Study, David Helms with Trevor Westmore, 2004;
Construction dates	1914,
Architect/Designer	Monash, Sir John,
Hermes Number	73018
Property Number	

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## Physical Description 1

A single span reinforced concrete bridge over the Powlett River at Outtrim. This bridge has a single clear span of 20 feet (6.1m) and is 16 feet (4.88m) wide. Shear reinforcement covers the whole span. The abutments are of the column and wall type resting on a strip footing (1).

The bridge is situated just to the north of the Outtrim-Moyarra Road on the old road alignment near the intersection of Stewarts Road. The original galvanized pipe handrails/balustrades have been removed and only the bridge deck and abutments survive.

(1) Descriptive information prepared by Lesley Alves in 1998. Source: John Monash website.

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